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The Europeans are manifesting alarm

at the possible result of the Congress of

American nations that is about to assemble

in this country, under the auspices of

the Government of the United States.

They fear that the outcome will be the

stripping from Europe of the most of her

trade with South and Central American

States. Let us hope that their fears may be

realized. The coming conference is one

that should have been called twenty years

ago. Germany, England, France and

Spain have been doing a business in the

States of the American Continent, outside

of our nation, that by commercial right

belongs to us. That we have not done

twenty fold more business with these States

is due to our stupidity and stubbornness—

a fact that we are just finding out, though

our Consul for a decade have been

telling us that if we were wise we would

manufacture, pack and ship to suit the

tastes of our neighbors. We have not

heeded the advice, but have insisted upon

sending them goods such as we have

deemed they ought to have, and quite ir-

respective of the wishes of those we have

sought for customers. Thus, we have re-

fused to adapt ourselves to the wants of the

Mexicans in the matter of manufacturing

wagons and other vehicles; in shipping

goods we have packed poorly and have not

been true to our samples; we have not

sought out the desire of the purchaser,

but have impudently told him that our

style or brand, or design is the best, and

that his are old-fashioned and behind the

age. These references are only partial;

we have many other things to confess our-

selves blameworthy for in this matter, such

as the failure to encourage the trading

marine with our neighbors, to establish

wide reciprocity with them, and so on

through a long chapter. When, therefore,

we invite these, our neighbors of the two

continents, to meet with us for a better un-

derstanding with regard to mutual inter-

ests, it is not surprising that European

nations should be alarmed and fear that

the result will lead to a broadening of

our trade with our friends on this

side of the Atlantic, and corresponding

diminution of European traffic with them.

For a time so long that no one can ac-

curately, bakers have worked at

night in order that people may have

bread for breakfast. It has not availed

to break up the custom to preach that

fresh bread is not so good for the digestion

as that which is some hours old, indeed, it

is considered that twelve-hour bread is

very much preferable for the health of the

digestive organs, but still night baking

continues. In nearly all things science has

added workers by relieving them of night

work, except in the matter of baking

bread. True methods of processes have

been discovered by which the labor has

been lessened and the quality of the bread

improved, but notwithstanding the bakers

have been compelled by the tyranny of

custom to work all night, or nearly so.

Very recently, however, a reform in this

matter was introduced in the city of To-

ronto, Canada, and it has been followed in

some smaller places, by which good bread

is furnished, fresh enough for any reason-

able demand, as the result of day work.

The master bakers throughout the country

are now consulting together with a view

of introducing the reform generally. They

contend, and with much reason, that there

is really no necessity for a large body of

workers being compelled to labor all night

for six nights in each week, and be thus

shut off from participation in the usual af-

fairs of the world by the necessity of sleep-

ing all day. They hold that cleaner and

better work is done by day than by night,

and that the natural conditions of sunlight

and atmospheres, warmed and purified by

the sun, give better, more healthful and

economical results in baking. The master

bakers, with the new processes to fortify

their position, certainly have a strong case,

and one that appeals directly to the best

sympathies of humanity.

Some of the San Francisco papers of

yesterday devoted nearly three columns

to descriptions in detail of a prize fight

between two little known individuals, and

whose prominence in the prize ring has

not been a matter of notoriety even. The

fight, it is admitted, was a swindle—a job

to defraud the lookers-on, who had paid a

round sum to see a brute pummel each

other into insensibility. The question

arises whether it is the office of good

journalism to devote so much space to the

very lowest order of news? Whether the

thinking, substantial people of the coun-

try demand such reading with their morn-

ing tea and coffee? Whether the mor-

als of the rising generation are benefited

by such prolixity being given to a class

of news that deals with an element not of

value to any community? We are not

saying that the news of the day as it

historically occurs should not be given, but

the bad with the good, but that the effort

to make the former predominant and to

quicken a taste for it, is not the work of

good journalism, the office of which is to

enlighten, educate and improve.

enlighten, improve and aid society in all

progressive and purifying schemes, and

equally to make the low, the vulgar and

unpleasant abhorrent.

It has never been satisfactorily ex-

plained how General Gordon met his fate

in Khartoum. Now comes a tale that he

was spared to death by his own soldiers.

It has this much of probability, that the

diary of Gordon shows clearly that he lost

confidence to a great extent in his troops

and that he feared treachery on their part.

It has long been the opinion of English

military men that Khartoum fell as the

result of the treacherous conduct of Egyp-

tian troops, under weak and inefficient

officers, against whom the few Englishmen

in the service of the Khedive could not

prevail. Yet we are told that the men

under Gordon had a singularly strong af-

fection for him, and that they manifested

it frequently by enduring hardships for his

sake, that otherwise they would have

avoided. But they were not of his religion

and were devoted to a creed that declared

him to be an outlaw and a foe to heaven.

It is possible, therefore, that when they

were appealed to as followers of the "True

Faith," they may have turned against one

they esteemed as a friend and respected as

a soldier.

An action has been brought in San

Francisco under the Code for the forfeit-

ure of property offered as a prize in a

lottery. It should be pushed and an

example made. If it is a good law under

which it is sought, then it should be en-

forced and such property confiscated to

the State. If it is a bad law the shortest

road to that discovery is by its enforce-

ment. But while activity is manifest in

arresting Chinese lottery agents and in

confiscating property put up at lottery,

why not test the law also that forbids,

peremptorily, any newspaper or other ad-

vertising agency from advertising a lottery

in any manner? Three-fourths of the

great dailies in this State openly violate

this law, and manifest the supremest con-

tempt for its provisions—what is more

amazing, there does not appear to be a

Grand Jury, a District Attorney, a police

or Sheriff's office in the State who has the

moral courage to proceed against these

same sheets. Indeed, great is the power

of the press.

SOUTH AMERICA has no transcontinental

railroad, but she is soon to have the want

supplied. A line of railway is projected

and will soon be completed between

Buenos Ayres and Valparaiso. In fact the

rails are already on the ground and par-

tially laid from the terminus toward the

Andes. The completion of the line, which

involves some very difficult engineering

problems, will work great changes in the

commerce of the southern half of the con-

tinent. There is a well-founded belief that

it will redound more to the benefit of

North American commerce with the South-

ern Continent, than it will prove an aid to

the European trade with South America.

It is now positively known that Boul-

langism was completely routed in the

election of the 23d of France. It signi-

fies nothing that the erratic General

succeeded in electing a few Deputies.

Were all the blank votes counted for that

side still the Government would have a

strong working majority. The people of

France have, in short, emphatically dis-

approved of Boulanger and all the cliques

and "isms" related to his ambition.

BOSTON expects to furnish a very interest-

ing show in its international maritime

exhibition, holding from November 4th to

January 4th. But if Chicago, Milwaukee

and Buffalo shippers, with some of the

lake and aft schooners of the west get

together with their rough-hewn craft, they

will make the salt water men think they

never saw weather boats before. There is

not a stauncher, swifter, and generally

more seaworthy lot of small-frail craft in

the world than these western lake boats.

The Emperor of Japan has just taken

possession of a new palace, furnished in

European style. It cost him \$400,000.

If the new mansion of the Mikado brings

with its occupancy the evils of our civ-

ilization, there may be the shadow of the

suggestion of a doubt whether the Em-

peror would not have done better to have

adhered to the simpler form of dwelling

that came down to him through centuries.

OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES recently re-

marked that "death bears pleasantly a

face to old man as sleep to one who is

tired." Yes; when the old age is the se-

quel of a well-spent life, and there lies be-

hind it the minimum of regret. But there

is no one who faces death with greater

fear and of clinging to life than the old

man who looks back only upon errors and

weakness.

A NEW YORK paper says: "The old

story—Sullivan is drunk again." But the

New York journal thinks that will

mitigate against the ambition of Sullivan

to enter Congress, it is woefully mistaken.

Sullivan appeals for the support of a class

that rather prefers the man who "boozes"

much.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

John F. Sheehan, formerly one of the

proprietors of the Daily Bee of this city,

has assumed the management and editor-

ship of the San Mateo County Times

Gazette, published at Redwood City. The

paper has been enlarged to eight pages, and

graphically. Under the new management

the Times Gazette will be a power in San

Mateo county.

W. A. Selkirk, for many years the

proprietor and publisher of the Stars and

Stripes at Auburn, a vigorous Republican

paper, and who was a prominent Republican

during war times; afterwards a Democrat

and the publisher of the Mountain Democrat

at Placerville; a member of the State Demo-

cratic Central Committee, and still later a

Collector for the Harbor Commissioners,

under Democratic rule, is now in Wash-

ington Territory. He has gone back to his

first love, and is publishing a Republican

EAST OF THE ROCKIES.

J. Q. A. Brackett nominated for Governor of Massachusetts.

ANOTHER BOLD TRAIN ROBBERY.

Chauncey M. Depeu Makes a Great Speech to New York Republicans.

NEW YORK REPUBLICANS.

Chauncey M. Depeu Opens the State Convention at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, September 25th.—The Republican State Convention was called to order this afternoon.

Chauncey M. Depeu was chosen temporary Chairman. After several times three cheers were given, he addressed the Convention. Silence and hush attended the interest of the Convention in Depeu's reference to the growth of the South American States, almost unnoted by the United States, but fostered by England. When Blaine's control of the Nation's foreign affairs was referred to by Depeu, applause was again awakened. When Depeu referred to the tariff, and the tariff, however, was not the subject of the Convention in this State and all other States. The Republican party of the State is all one, and the delegates to each other in approval, and created their needs to see how they can be met. Both of these gentlemen were in the front of the Convention. Reference to the control of the liquor traffic was warmly received. Again Miller's face was seen, and the Convention approved. Not a time of his face relaxed, however, and his hands were still.

Mr. Depeu, continuing, said: "The dispute and controversy among the Republicans, accounts of which have filled the air, exist only in imagination, and come only from the pens and tongues of the enemy. For the first time in fifteen years the Republican party is now in possession of both the Executive and legislative branches of the Government. They accept the responsibility, confident in their ability to wisely administer the trust. The surplus will be reduced by retaining upon private lines. Internal revenue and tariff laws are never perfect, but when reform is in any degree the bedrock principle of protection." Mr. Depeu referred to the great enterprise and achievement shown by South American republics at the Paris Exposition, and said that emigration and enterprise have stimulated in these countries an industrial development which is more rapid than our own. The whole of this marvellously increasing trade now belongs to Europe. Eight years ago an eminent Republican statesman foresaw the advantages of closer alliance with these countries, and endeavored to bring about. Now he finds himself again Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the President in full harmony with his views.

The speaker referred to the coming Congress of American Nations, and expressed the opinion that there would be formed a permanent political union, the closest commercial alliance among all countries of the western hemisphere.

Speaking of the integrity of the ballot, Mr. Depeu said: "The Republican party will not cease agitation and effort until the ballot-box secures an honest expression of the popular will. The Republican party placed under proper control. Had laws prepared and presented by the Republican party in relation to the ballot-box, placed upon the statute books of our State, one-third of the saloons would already have been closed, thousands of wrecked homes have been repaired, and thousands of young men saved. The burden of taxation resting upon farm and homestead and business would have been reduced by millions of dollars have been flowing into the State Treasury."

"The Republican party," continued the speaker, "emphatically reaffirms its previous declarations upon the question of civil service reform, and the laws on the statute books on this subject will be carried out. The first cruiser launched under the new Administration is a happy harbinger of the new navy, which shall redeem the credit of America upon the seas, and protect a commerce which is to embrace the world. Of course this summer the Republic has been the Old World, and found among them fresh apprehension and the profound respect for American statesmanship, and the issue of the interpretation of the Constitution had impressed them with a new idea that in all matters which concern the interests of the Republic, the United States was the power whose wishes were potent."

The usual committees were appointed and a recess taken until 3:30 o'clock. Nominations were in order at the afternoon session, and the following were nominated: John P. Gilbert of Malone, Secretary of State; Arthur W. Cook of Monroe, Comptroller; Ira M. Hedges of Rockland, Treasurer; General James M. Varnum of New York, Attorney-General.

William P. Van Rensselaer of Seneca, State Engineer; Albert Haight of Buffalo, Judge of the Court of Appeals.

It was decided to have an additional member of the State Committee, to be selected from the counties of Hamilton and Warren. The Convention then adjourned sine die.

MASSACHUSETTS REPUBLICANS.

A Platform Demanding Protection and a National Election Law.

BOSTON, September 25th.—The Republican State Convention was called to order this morning. The usual committees were appointed. Dr. George W. Chapman was selected for permanent Chairman.

The platform congratulates the country upon the restoration of the Republic to party to power; commends the wise, prudent conduct of the Treasury Department; rejoices in the restoration of dignity and vigor to the executive office; commends the President upon the practical wisdom and honest purpose with which he deals with Congress; commends the President's civil service policy; pledges the support of the Republican party to the President in his efforts to root out evil patronage from politics; looks to Congress to enact a sound currency, resist the increase of the present debt, and to take such action as a reduction of the surplus revenue; respects the Representatives and Senators from Massachusetts, and asks for their equitable revision of the tariff, so as to adapt the protection which it affords to the changed business conditions of the country; demands a national election law, and a liberal policy for the establishment of new and for the support of the old; and asks for a platform upon the liquor question, the party will take no backward step.

BLACKETT FOR GOVERNOR.

In the afternoon session the first ballot for Governor was announced. The following were the results: J. Q. A. Brackett, 743; W. W. Chase, 674; John D. Long, 1; E. H. Capen, 9; W. H. H. Hale, 1.

BRACKETT WAS DECLARED NOMINATED, AND IT WAS MADE UNANIMOUS.

Other officers were nominated as follows: Lieutenant-Governor, W. H. H. Hale; Treasurer, Hon. George A. Marden (re-nominated); Secretary of State, Henry B. Pierce; Auditor, Charles L. Laid (re-nominated); Attorney-General, Andrew J. Waterman. After speeches by Senator Hoar and others the Convention adjourned sine die.

GETTING BOLD.

Mississippi Republicans Actually Held a Convention.

JACKSON, Miss., September 25th.—The Republican State Convention, the first that has assembled in several years, met here to-day. B. K. Bruce was temporary Chairman. He made a brief, conservative address, advising that if nominations were made they should be made by the party and not by the press. General Chalmers denounced the Democratic party and advocated the nomination of a State ticket.

Sixty counties were represented by 254 delegates, many being white and the remainder colored.

James Hill, who is contesting Catching's claim, has been arrested by the police, saying that the Democrats were entrenched in power in the State and it would be folly to attempt to dislodge them. John B. Lynch strongly favored nomination.

J. Q. A. Brackett nominated for Governor of Massachusetts.

The Convention decided by a vote of 159 to 95 to put a ticket in the field. Resolutions endorsing the Administration of President Harrison and the platform of the Republican party. The Administration of the State Government was commended as extravagant. The management of the State Government was severely criticised, and its long continuance declared a disaster to Christian civilization.

Nominations were made as follows: James R. Chalmers, for Governor; James D. Lynch, Lieutenant-Governor; J. McMillon (colored), Secretary of State; John S. Jones, Treasurer.

INTERSTATE COMMISSION.

Testimony Regarding the Effect of the Missouri River on the Mississippi.

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